

The Appomattox County Board of Supervisors held their Regular Meeting on Monday, March 21, 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Board of Supervisors meeting room, located at 171 Price Lane, Appomattox, Virginia.

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Appomattox County Board of Supervisors

Present:

Samuel E. Carter
Sara E. Carter
William H. Hogan
Chad E. Millner
Bryan A. Moody

Courthouse District, Chairman
Piney Mountain District, Vice-Chair
Appomattox River District
Falling River District
Stonewall District

Also Present:

Susan M. Adams, County Administrator
J. G. Overstreet, County Attorney
Jeff Taylor, Economic Development Director
Johnnie Roark, Community Development Director
Vicky Phelps, Finance Director

Call to Order

Invocation- Mr. William Hogan

Pledge of Allegiance

Setting of Agenda

APPEARANCES

Timothy Trent, Administrator - Blue Ridge Regional Jail Authority

Chairman Carter stated that Mr. Trent, Administrator of Blue Ridge Regional Jail Authority (BRRJA) requested the opportunity to appear before the Board to provide an update on the Blue Ridge Regional Jail Authority and answer questions in which the Board may have for him. The Assistant Administrator, Mr. Matt Marsteller will be attending also.

Mr. Trent came forward and stated that Matt Marsteller Assistant Administrator was unable to attend due to being out of town for training. He then introduced Major Bill Parker, Site Administrator of the Amherst facility. Mr. Trent provided the Board with a handout of information regarding BRRJA and gave a brief history of the Blue Ridge Regional Jail and how it was created in 1994. He stated that in year 2012 they held a grand opening of current facility and closed the Appomattox County Jail. He provided an update on the facility and current staff.

Mr. Trent provided the Board with an update on a recent project with ESCO which is an energy savings company. Mr. Trent stated that due to the savings with this project they have been able to keep from asking for an increase in fees.

Mr. Trent reported on the programs that are offered to inmates. He stated that many of the programs offered are paid for by an inmate commissary fund. He stated that the State requires that they offer commissary to the inmates. He stated that they receive a commission from the

sales. He stated that the Code of Virginia requires that these funds be used for the inmate's welfare. He stated that these funds pay for programs, buy games, basketballs, TV's, mattresses, inmate clothing etc. He stated that they buy in bulk to save the Authority money.

Mr. Trent reported that the average cost per day in Virginia to house an inmate is \$77.26. He stated that this information was obtained from the Virginia Compensation Board's Annual Jail Cost Report, 2014, as required by the Virginia General Assembly. He stated that the average length of stay is 61.48 days in BRRJA facility. Based on the daily cost, it equates to \$4,145.60 per stay.

Mr. Trent stated that BRRJA consists of five different facilities spread throughout a large geographical area. He stated that all sites are regularly audited by the Department of Corrections to ensure compliance with Minimum Standards set forth by the Board of Corrections and they consistently received 100% compliance.

Mr. Trent stated that currently BRRJA has ample space to house the anticipated inmate population moving forward. He stated that they do not foresee an expansion need nor do they anticipate new member jurisdictions being added.

After answering questions and concerns from members of the Board; he invited the Board to come and tour the Amherst facility.

Town of Pamplin Update

Chairman Carter stated that Mr. Ronnie Spiggle has requested to appear before the Board to provide an update on the Town of Pamplin's financial status. Chairman Carter welcomed former Board of Supervisors member, Mr. Ronnie Spiggle, and stated that the Board appreciates his concerted efforts to assist the Town of Pamplin in identifying resources for assistance.

Mr. Spiggle thanked the Board for opportunity to speak and stated that he has with him Mayor Horton. He stated that at this time, there has been no improvement in the Town of Pamplin's financial situation.

Mayor Horton reported that they have a scheduled telephone conference with Virginia Department of Health on Friday, March 25, 2016. He stated that Paul Freed, (Farmville Health) and Delegate Matt Farris have been invited to participate in the call.

Mayor Horton stated that they will not be able to meet all the goals needed to proceed with the DHCP grant.

Mr. Spiggle stated that this is a slow process and they will continue to work and involve as many people as possible, who can offer some assistance.

Mr. Spiggle stated that he hoped to be back next month with better news especially after speaking with VDH on Friday.

Davenport & Company LLC

Chairman Carter stated that the County has been working with Jimmy Sanderson, Caroline Heggie and Dan Siegel to review options for refinancing/refunding the Debt Service. In February, the Board authorized Davenport to pursue the options with the Virginia Resource Authority and issue a bank RFP. Mr. Siegel and Ms. Heggie will be providing an update to the Board.

Mr. Siegel stated that Mr. Sanderson was unable to attend tonight's meeting due to conflicting engagement. He stated that they wanted to keep the Board updated on what was going on with the refinancing/refunding debt service. He stated that they have moved forward and had a call last week with VRA and the application has been filed. He stated that they sent out today the Request for Proposals to the banks. He stated that during the VRA call they were told that VRA would not allow parity, as they will not allow the same collateral with others. He stated that it looks like, we would have to do a do separate collateral financing for VRA. He stated that the only options for the County at this point would be to use one of the schools for collateral. Mr. Siegel stated that the most optimal for the County would be a partial refunding of the 2010 financing which is approximately eight million. Mr. Siegel stated that the Board must take action for VRA by April 1, so the Board would need a meeting to adopt a resolution. He stated that the bank options would be back by March 30, 2016. He stated that the Board would need a meeting with the school board to approve using a school building as collateral and to approve a resolution that would be needed.

Mr. Siegel stated that there is the potential for an \$85,000 dollar savings after the partial restructuring, which could change depending on the interest rate. Mr. Siegel stated that if some money from the fund balance could be used it would help to have positive overall savings.

Ms. Adams stated that she had spoken with Dr. Grasty and the school board members would be able to conference call but due to spring break they are out of town and cannot meet in person.

After discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to call a Special Meeting on March 30, 2016 to adopt the VRA Resolution.

Ms. Adams questioned if Board members wanted to participate in the conference call with the School Board. It was the consensus of the Board to allow Ms. Adams to participate in the call.

Chairman Carter thanked Mr. Siegel and Caroline Heggie for coming and providing and update.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARING (7:00)

Public Hearing Zoning Text Amendments Definitions, Use Classifications, BZA, Mobile Homes

Chairman Carter stated that the proposed amendments relate to adding a use category for a brewery/distillery and associated definitions, omitted definitions, additions of certain uses to various zoning classifications, certain amendments to the zoning ordinance language related to the Board of Zoning Appeals, and additional standards/regulations related to the placement of mobile homes. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on February 10, 2016. No one

spoke for or against. Following the public hearing, the Planning Commission voted unanimously (Carter absent) to recommend approval of the amendments, as proposed.

Chairman Carter called the public hearing to order and called for public comment. Hearing no comment; he closed the public hearing at 7:01 p.m.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Ms. Adams provided the Board with a written Administrative Report.

Ms. Adams reminded the Board that the April 7, 2016 budget work session had been cancelled; however, there would be a Special Meeting on March 29, 2016 to adopt the VRA Resolution. Ms. Adams also reminded the Board of a budget work session that is scheduled for April 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the County Administrator's conference room.

Ms. Adams and Chairman Carter presented Mr. Millner with a National Weather Service appreciation plaque for his dedication and service during the tornado event on February 24, 2016.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Overstreet provided the County Attorney Report and an update on the personal property tax rate and called for questions or comments.

Ms. Carter asked Ms. Adams to follow up with the Commissioner of Revenue to see if she would be able to attend the April 11, 2016 work session to discuss the personal property tax rate. It was the consensus of the Board to have Ms. Adams to contact Ms. Henderson to see if she could attend the April 11, 2016 work session to discuss the personal property tax rate.

ACTION ITEMS

Ordinance Zoning Text Amendments Definitions, Use Classifications, BZA, Mobile Homes

Chairman Carter stated that a public hearing has been held and comments received. An ordinance to adopt the proposed changes has been provided for your consideration. The Planning Commission voted unanimously (Carter absent) to recommend approval of the zoning text amendments.

Chairman Carter called for discussion.

After lengthy discussion on whether the use categories "brewery, "distillery" and micro-brewery" should be a permitted use in V-1 or a conditional use in V-1. Mr. Millner made a motion to change the ordinance as a conditional use instead of permitted use in V-1.

After lengthy discussion, it was the consensus of the Board to table this decision until the next meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Ms. Carter made a motion to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Mr. Moody seconded Ms. Carter's motion. Chairman Carter called for a Roll Call Vote: Chairman Carter, aye; Ms. Carter, aye; Mr. Hogan, aye; Mr. Millner, aye; Mr. Moody, aye.

Bills

Payment of Invoices Authorization

Please review and approve the attached invoices for payment.

February 16, 2016 - \$107,425.20

February 26, 2016 - \$ 46,233.82

March 10, 2016 - \$5,797.52

March 21, 2016 - \$721,233.60

Minutes Approval

Minutes

Please review the following minutes for additions and/or corrections:

Monday, January 4, 2016 - Work Session

Monday, January 4, 2016 - Organizational Meeting

Supplemental Appropriations

Department of Social Services

Please supplement by consent and appropriate the following:

RE: Reimbursement from Social Services for VRS, Group Life, and ICMA-RC during the months of November 2015, January 2016, and February 2016:

5301-2002	VRS	\$33,845.20
5301-2006	Group Life Insurance	\$ 2,065.31
5301-2002	ICMA-RC	\$ 598.48

No new local funds are required.

Sheriff's Department

Please supplement by consent and appropriate \$3586.85 to 3102-1002 Sheriff's Overtime for security at the Appomattox County High School sporting events and at Walmart.

RE: payment received from the Appomattox County High School and Walmart for security provided from the Sheriff's Department

No new local funds are required.

Public Safety Refund

Please supplement by consent and appropriate the following:

3606-3002	Professional Services	\$7500
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RE: Refund for duplicate payment from CBE Services, Inc.

3606-5504	Travel & Education	\$1359.23
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RE: Reimbursement from the Wireless Grant for two employees to attend the APCO Fall Conference.

No new local funds are required.

Animal Control Donations

Please supplement by consent and appropriate \$250 to 3501-5804 Donations Only.

RE: Donations received for the Animal Control shelter.

No new local funds are required.

County Administration Refund

Please supplement by consent and appropriate \$44.85 to 1201-5401 Office Supplies.

RE: Refund for unused W-2s that were ordered.

No new local funds are required.

J. Robert Jamerson Library

Please supplement by consent and appropriate the following:

7301-5411	Books	\$ 507.25
7301-5401	Office Supplies	\$1404.70
7301-5415	Summer Reading	\$ 113.50
7301-5201	Postage	\$ 2.75
7301-5840	Special Library Fund	\$ 8.25

No new local funds are required.

Victim Witness FY 2016 Budget Supplement

Please supplement by consent and appropriate the following:

2220-1001	Salaries & Wages	\$3255.00
2220-2001	FICA	\$ 250.00

RE: The Department of Criminal Justice Services awarded a 15% salary increase for the Victim Witness Program Director.

No new local funds are required.

SUPERVISOR CONCERNS

Mr. Moody asked that the January 4, 2016 minutes be corrected to reflect his mentioned changes.

Mr. Moody asked Ms. Adams if she would invite Mayor Harvey to next regular meeting to recognize him for his help during the tornado on February 24, 2016.

Mr. Moody stated that he sees a national movement in that there is a lot of elected officials, councils and boards that are backing away from their police department. He stated that he would love to see this Board and County pull up right beside them and support them in what they do day in and day out.

Chairman Carter suggested that this item of discussion be referred to the Safety Committee for further discussion.

Mr. Hogan stated that he would like to say thank you for the outpour of support from this community after the tornado, he stated that is has been a strong force and wonderful. He stated that not only volunteers, but family members helping and our Staff of County employees have put in many hours with little or no sleep. He stated that the Board appreciates all efforts. He stated that there is continuing effort and hard work that are behind the scenes that many are not aware of to make sure citizens needs are met. He stated that he appreciates everything being done.

All Board members echoed Mr. Hogan's statement.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Carter made a motion at 8:05 p.m. to adjourn until the scheduled March 29, 2016 meeting at 6:30 p.m. Mr. Millner seconded Ms. Carter's motion. Chairman Carter called for a vote: Chairman Carter, aye; Ms. Carter, aye; Mr. Hogan, aye; Mr. Millner, aye; Mr. Moody, aye.

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Samuel E. Carter, Chairman